

Table 4. Net Cash Return From Agricultural Sales: 1997 and 1992

[Data are based on a sample of farms. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Item	1997			1992		
	All farms	Farms with sales of \$10,000 or more	Farms with sales of less than \$10,000	All farms	Farms with sales of \$10,000 or more	Farms with sales of less than \$10,000
Net cash return from agricultural sales for the farm unit (see text) farms..	5 806	2 911	2 895	5 438	2 981	2 457
Average per farm \$1,000..	87 572	97 202	-9 630	71 810	81 492	-9 682
Average per farm dollars..	15 083	33 391	-3 326	13 205	27 337	-3 941
Farms with net gains ¹ number..	2 968	2 297	671	2 927	2 452	475
Average per farm \$1,000..	107 949	106 425	1 524	89 913	89 057	856
Average per farm dollars..	36 371	46 332	2 272	30 718	36 320	1 802
Gain of—						
Less than \$1,000	311	68	243	228	36	192
\$1,000 to \$4,999	553	199	354	482	224	258
\$5,000 to \$9,999	469	395	74	297	272	25
\$10,000 to \$24,999	569	569	—	740	740	—
\$25,000 to \$49,999	509	509	—	615	615	—
\$50,000 or more	557	557	—	565	565	—
Farms with net losses number..	2 838	614	2 224	2 511	529	1 982
Average per farm \$1,000..	20 377	9 223	11 154	18 103	7 565	10 538
Average per farm dollars..	7 180	15 021	5 015	7 210	14 301	5 317
Loss of—						
Less than \$1,000	322	21	301	293	46	247
\$1,000 to \$4,999	1 360	196	1 164	1 116	118	998
\$5,000 to \$9,999	614	139	475	577	121	456
\$10,000 to \$24,999	430	163	267	442	172	270
\$25,000 to \$49,999	83	68	15	64	55	9
\$50,000 or more	29	27	2	19	17	2

¹Farms with total production expenses equal to market value of agricultural products sold are included as farms with gains of less than \$1,000.